

METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY
M E D I C A L E X A M I N E R D E P A R T M E N T
NUMBER 1 ON BOB HOPE RD MIAMI, FLORIDA 33136 (305) 545-9400
INVESTIGATION REPORT

M.E. CASE NO. 88-2637 A
DATE SEP/07/88

JOHNSON, LINDA DARNELL (REMAINS, UNKNOWN)
32 BLACK FEMALE DOB MAY/02/56
2100 N W 179TH ST., MIAMI, FLA

PLACE OF DEATH: SCHOOL YARD: N W 102ND ST & 17TH AVE., MIAMI, FLA
TIME OF DEATH: FOUND 12:15PM SEP/07/88

INVESTIGATING AGENCY: METRO #458867-I-MCDERMOTT

INCIDENT LOCATION: SCHOOL YARD: N W 102ND ST & 17TH AVE., MIAMI, FLA
AUG/00/88 UNK SCENE M.E. CHARLES V. WETLI MD

HISTORY:

CVW

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WAS HER BIRTHDAY.

CAUSE OF DEATH: HOMICIDE BY UNSPECIFIED MEANS.

AMENDED BY: J. H. DAVIS, M. D.,
CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER: 6/21/89-DJM.

MANNER: HOMICIDE DATE AUTOPSY SEP/08/88 BY CHARLES V. WETLI MD

MORTUARY: HALL, FERG., HEWITT

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88-2637

METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY
Office of the Medical Examiner
INVESTIGATION REPORT

88-2637

Police Case No. 458867-INAME OF THE DECEASED: _____ Age _____ Race B Sex F

Address _____ Date of Birth _____

Social Security No. _____ Occupation _____ Employer _____

Place of Death MIAMI

Death Occurred _____ 19____, _____ M. in the presence of _____

or
Found Dead 9-7 1988, 12:15P M. by ANTHONY RICHARDSONIdentified by _____ Address 3470 NW 179 ST. & 2025 NW 91STDate/Time Viewed by Investigator 9-7 1988, 2:30AM Medical Examiner at Scene DR. WETLI

HISTORY: (What happened just prior to death and when was victim last seen alive?) _____

RICHARDSON WAS TAKING A SHORTCUT ACROSS P.I. FIELD
AND DISCOVERED THE DECEASED VICTIM NEAR A
CLUMP OF TREES IN N.E. SECTION OF THE FIELD

Possible manner of death _____

If Violent Death: Date/Time of Incident _____ 19____, _____ M. Weapon/Cal. _____

Exact Location/Address of Incident AGRICULTURAL AREA MIA CENTRAL H.S. At work _____
(Specify Street, Parking Lot, Bar etc.)

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: Clothing _____

Position/Location of Body: SUPINE HEAD EAST FEET WESTLividities: Yes _____ No N/A Consistent _____ Body Heat: Warm: _____ Cool: _____ Cold XRigor Mortis: None _____ Slight _____ Full X Decomposition: None _____ Slight _____ Advanced XTrauma: Yes _____ No _____ Describe UNK

NAMES OF DOCTORS/HOSPITALS who attended deceased during life: _____

NAME OF NEXT OF KIN: UNK Relation _____

Address _____ Telephone _____ Notified: Yes _____ No _____

Valuables and Disposition _____ Medication to M.E.: Yes _____ No _____

Investigating Agency MDPD Report Submitted by McDERMOTT Date: 9-7 1988, 3:30PM



STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & REHABILITATIVE SERVICES
VITAL STATISTICS

(REMAINS, UNKNOWN)
88-2637A

APPLICATION FOR BURIAL-TRANSIT PERMIT

A. (Type or Print)

1. Name of Deceased	First	Middle	Last	DATE OF DEATH	Month	Day	Year
	LINDA	DARNELL	JOHNSON	SEPTEMBER 7, 1988			
2. Place of Death	City, Town or Location			Name of (If neither, give street address)			
County	DADE			Hosp. or Inst. N.W. 102nd ST. & 17th AVENUE			
3. Name of Medical Certifier	CHARLES V. WETLI, MD			<input type="checkbox"/> Physician	Address		Phone Number
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Examiner	# 1 ON BOB HOPE RD., MIAMI, FL		545-2400
4. Funeral Home/ Direct Disposer	Name			Address		Phone Number (Area Code)	
	MEDICAL EXAMINER OFFICE			NUMBER ONE ON BOB HOPE RD., MIAMI, FL		305-545-2400	
5. Check Appropriate Box	a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The medical certification has been completed and signed. A completed certificate of death accompanies this application.						
	b <input type="checkbox"/> _____ was contacted on _____ within 72 hours after death. He/she verified that this death was from natural causes, that there was no accident nor other external cause of death, and that _____ will complete and sign the medical certification of cause of death.						
	c <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____ was contacted on _____. He/she verified that _____, Medical Examiner, will complete and sign the medical certification.						
	SEPTEMBER 12, 1988						
6. Funeral Director/ Direct Disposer	Signature			Fla. Lic. No./Reg. No.		Date Signed	
	Bruce A. Hyman ACTING						

B. BURIAL-TRANSIT PERMIT

Permit No. 88-172

Permission is hereby granted to dispose of this body.

- ☒ A five day extension of time for filing the death certificate (exclusive of weekends) has been requested and granted as undue hardship would result from filing within the normal time limit. If the certificate cannot be filed within this extended time limit, a "Funeral Director/Direct Disposer Report" will be filed with the Local Registrar of the County in which death occurred.
- ☐ No extension of time for filing the death certificate requested.

Subregistrat Signature Joyce E. Burner Date SEPT. 12, 1988 Date Certificate Issued: _____ Due: _____

C. AUTHORIZATION for CREMATION, DISSECTION or BURIAL-AT-SEA

Signature _____, Medical Examiner Date _____
or
Medical Examiner, _____, gave authorization by telephone to _____
Funeral Director/Direct Disposer. Date _____

The Medical Examiner's approval must be obtained before disposal by any of the above methods. A waiting period of 48 hours after death is required for all cremations.

D. FOR FUNERAL DIRECTOR/DIRECT DISPOSER USE ONLY

1. Date Burial-Transit Permit (pink copy) was filed with Local Registrar: _____
2. Date Temporary Certificate was filed with Local Registrar: _____
3. Date complete Certificate was filed with Local Registrar: _____
4. Follow-Up Efforts & Activities (Note parties & dates contacted): _____
5. Funeral Director/Direct Disposer Report filed: Yes _____ No _____ . Date Filed: _____

FUNERAL DIRECTOR/DIRECT DISPOSER COPY

**INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION
FOR BURIAL—TRANSIT PERMIT FORM**

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Section A.

1. Type or print name of deceased and date of death.
 2. Indicate place of death: County; City, Town or Location; hospital or institution (if not in hospital or institution, give street address).
 3. Indicate the name and address of the physician or Medical Examiner who you determine is to provide the medical certification of cause of death.
 4. Indicate name, address, and telephone number of funeral home or direct disposal establishment.
 5.
 - a. Check if a completed death certificate, including the completed and signed medical certification of cause of death, accompanies the pink copy of the Application for Burial—Transit Permit to the Local Registrar of the County in which death occurred. (If the completed certificate cannot be obtained in sufficient time to be filed with the pink copy of the Application, check 5b.)
 - b. Provide the name of the person contacted in an effort to obtain the name of the physician who is to complete and sign the medical certification portion of the certificate, and the date he/she was contacted. The person contacted must be either the physician or a responsible person whom you determine can speak for him/her.
 - c. Check to indicate if this is a Medical Examiner case. Give the name of the person contacted who verified that the Medical Examiner will complete and sign the medical certification of cause of death and the date contact was made.
 6. Requires signature of applicant, Florida License/Registration number, and date application signed.
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BURIAL—TRANSIT PERMIT

Section B.

Provide permit number. If it is anticipated that the certificate cannot be filed within five days from the date of death, five additional days (exclusive of weekends) may be requested and granted by checking the box provided. If this time frame cannot be met, complete and file a copy of the Funeral Director/Direct Disposer Report with the Local Registrar in the County of death and send a copy to Quality Assurance, Office of Vital Statistics. If no extension of time is requested, check appropriate box.

The Registrar or Subregistrar who grants the Burial—Transit Permit will sign and date the Permit Application. If it is not convenient for the Subregistrar to sign, it will be signed by the Local Registrar or his designee. (The signature of the Subregistrar on the Burial—Transit Permit need not be the same as the Subregistrar signature on the death certificate.) Section 382.006, Florida Statutes, requires that a Burial—Transit Permit be obtained prior to disposition or removal from the State and within five days after death. It shall be mailed or delivered to the Local Registrar of the County in which death occurred within 24 hours after issuance. NOTE: It is not necessary to wait until the Funeral Director/Direct Disposer has custody of the actual body to begin the paperwork.)

Section C.

AUTHORIZATION for CREMATION, DISSECTION or BURIAL—AT—SEA

Approval for cremation/dissection or burial-at-sea must be authorized by the Medical Examiner. Space for his approval signature and date are provided. In addition, space is provided for the name of the person obtaining telephone approval from Medical Examiner and the date such approval was obtained.

(NOTE: DO NOT HOLD UP FILING THE PINK COPY WHILE AWAITING MEDICAL EXAMINER APPROVAL.)

Section D.

FOR FUNERAL DIRECTOR/DIRECT DISPOSER USE ONLY

1. Record date the Funeral Director/Direct Disposer filed the pink copy of the Burial-Transit Permit with the Local Registrar of the County in which death occurred.
2. If a temporary death certificate was filed with the Local Registrar of the County in which death occurred, record the date in this item.
3. Record the date a completed death certificate with a completed and signed certification of cause of death was filed with the Local Registrar of the County in which death occurred.
4. Funeral Director/Direct Disposer to record any follow-up activities he/she made himself/herself to obtain and file a completed death certificate with completed and signed medical certification of cause of death.
5. Funeral Director/Direct Disposer will complete and file a copy of the Funeral Director/Direct Disposer Report if he/she had difficulty in securing medical certification which prevented the filing of a completed death certificate by the expiration of the five-day extension (exclusive of weekends) as indicated on the Burial—Transit Permit. Record if filed or not filed and, if filed, the date it was filed.

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
NUMBER ONE ON BOB HOPE ROAD, MIAMI, FL 33136-1133
(305) 545-2400

CASE INFORMATION

DATE 9-7-88
mo. day yr.

6:45 pm
time

88-2637
M.E. Case #

From
Det
Romang
MDPD

Positive I.D. Made
= from Prints

Name: Johnson, Linda D.

32 B/F

D.O.B: 5-2-56

SS# - 261-33-0976

PSD# - 342773- Last Arrest DATE
August 1987

NOX: Wesley Johnson - brother

incorrect ~~3272~~ ~~NE to St~~ - 754-7625 - Not
NOTIFIED.

brother 2100 N.W. 179 St - Notified 10:00 pm
620-7394

Ever Shorte

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
1050 N.W. 19 St., Miami, FL 33136
(305) 549-7337

CASE INFORMATION

DATE 9 8 88
mo. day yr.

7:50 AM
time

88-2637
M.E. Case #

RE: JOHNSON, LINDA DARNELL

DOB 5/2/56
SEA 261-33-0976

Called
JMH-Chenoss



Hall-Ferguson-Hewitt

1900 N. W. 54TH STREET
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33142

TELEPHONE: (305) 633-0688

M.E.

AUTHORIZATION

* ~~Don't Pick Up~~ ~~Check with~~
~~MR. HALL~~

I hereby designate the above-named funeral
establishment to take charge of funeral arrangements
for: Linda D. Johnson,

and I authorize the release and removal of the remains to
said funeral establishment for the purpose of embalming.

I represent that I am the next of kin, or am acting as
an authorized agent for the next of kin.

Signed: [Signature]

Relationship: BROTHER

Co-Signed: _____

Relationship: _____

WITNESS: [Signature]

DATE: SEP. 8, 1988

FOR VERBAL (TELEPHONE) AUTHORIZATION:

Authorization from _____

Relationship _____

Date _____

Time _____

Received by _____

METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER
MIAMI, FLORIDA

DECEASED'S VALUABLES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY RECORD

NAME OF DECEASED UNKNOWN M.E. CASE NO. 88-2637
TIME 5:05 PM DATE 9-7-88
AGE UKN RACE B SEX F HEIGHT 5-7 1/2
WEIGHT (with clothes) _____ (without clothes) 36 lbs. (with wet clothes) _____
FINGERPRINTED: YES _____ NO Decomp.

MALE

CLOTHES

FEMALE

SHOES _____ SOCKS _____ SHOES _____ STOCKINGS _____ SOCKS _____
JACKET _____ SWEATER _____ COAT _____ SWEATER _____ JACKET _____
TIE _____ SHIRT _____ DRESS _____ BLOUSE _____ SKIRT _____
TROUSERS _____ SHORTS _____ BELT _____ SHORTS None SLACKS _____
UNDERSHIRT _____ T SHIRT _____ UNDERSHORTS _____ SLIP _____ PANTIES _____ CORSET _____ BRA _____
PAJAMAS _____ PAJAMAS _____ GOWN _____
DENTURES: U. _____ L. _____ TRUSS _____ DENTURES: U. _____ L. _____
MISCELLANEOUS _____ MISCELLANEOUS _____

VALUABLES

(List all money, jewelry, keys, personal papers & other valuables)

None

RECEIVED BY Clark A. Jackson MORGUE ATTENDANT WITNESS Roy Houghton

REMOVED FROM M.E. OFFICE BY Metro KMV SUC

BODY Altagracia REPRESENTING HALL-FOX-HEATH DATE 14 SEP 88 TIME 13:55

CLOTHES _____ REPRESENTING _____ DATE _____ TIME _____

VALUABLES _____ REPRESENTING _____ DATE _____ TIME _____

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
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PHONE (305) 545-2400 FAX (305) 545-2418**

INVESTIGATION REPORT

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TYPE: A

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SS#:

32 YEAR(S)

BLACK

FEMALE

D.O.B. MAY/02/1956

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MANNER: HOMICIDE

AUTOPSY

SEP/08/1988

DOCTOR: WETLI, CHARLES V., M.D.

MORTUARY: HALL, FERG., HEWITT

INVESTIGATOR: WETLI, CHARLES V., M.D.

**THIS REPORT MAY CONTAIN NON-VERIFIED INFORMATION
AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**METRO-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

PROPERTY RECEIPT

METRO-DADE POLICE CASE NO.

44-8867-5

INVENTORY NO.

Page _____ of _____

DATE-TIME IMPOUNDED

PROPERTY BUREAU LOCATOR CODE

OTHER DEPT. CASE NO.

OTHER DEPT. PROPERTY LOCATION AND INVENTORY NO.

FOR PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE BUREAU USE ONLY

ADDRESS WHERE PROPERTY IMPOUNDED (Give exact location where property was located.)

TYPE OF CASE

DISCOVERED BY (Name)

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

TELEPHONE NO.

☐ OWNER

☐ VICTIM

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

TELEPHONE NO.

☐ SUBJECT

☐ SUSPECT

RACE

SEX

DOB

INCARCERATED

WARRANT

☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ STOLEN PROPERTY

☐ TRIAL EVIDENCE

☐ HOMICIDE PROBATE

☐ SECURITY STORAGE

☐ LOST/FOUND PROPERTY

☐ LAB EVIDENCE

☐ OTHER AGENCY

☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION (Itemize currency by denomination)	Currency Only Total Face Value \$ c	PROPERTY BUREAU ONLY
1	1	CASH BAG UP-RUN IN RIGHT HAND OF VICTIM		
2	1	" " " " " " " " " " " "		
		LAST ITEM		

I hereby acknowledge that the above list represents all property taken from my possession and that I have received a copy of this receipt.

I hereby acknowledge that the above list represents all property impounded by me in the official performance of duty as a Deputy Sheriff/Law Enforcement Officer.

(Print and Sign)

THE PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE BUREAU MAY BE CONTACTED AT AREA CODE 305-547-7291

Lead Investigator/Unit

Impounding Officer

District or Section

(Print and Sign)

(Print and Sign)

Badge Number

For Property and Evidence Bureau Use Only

RECEIVED BY	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE AND BADGE NO.	REASON	DATE AND TIME RECEIVED
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(Cont'd on back)

(Rev. 10/88)

PROPERTY & EVIDENCE BUREAU COPY

OWNER'S COPY

RECEIVED BY	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	REASON	DATE AND TIME RECEIVED
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Final Disposition			AUTHORITY	DATE & TIME OF DISPOSITION

PROPERTY RELEASE INFORMATION

NAME: _____ DOB: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NO.: _____ RACE: _____ SEX: _____

DRIVERS LICENSE NO.: _____

OTHER I.D.: _____

RELEASED BY: SIGNATURE _____

PRINT NAME _____

DATE/TIME: _____

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CASE INFORMATION

DATE 9/7/88
mo. day yr.

2:30pm
time

M.E. Case # _____

Rev-D
MDPD- Complaint Desk

Reg: Medical Examiner

NW 95th St and 17th Ave

Near: Centred High School

Near Agricultural Center Near

Homicide — —

Det. with advised — will respond. Df —

Wagon
3:30 PM
Kervel
DEN

102nd ST NW 17 AVE
HOMICIDE

MESSAGE CONFIRMATION

SEP-07-'88 WED 15:34

TERM ID: MEDICAL EXAMINER

P-9999

TEL NO: 305-545-2400 EXT 3418

NO. DATE ST.TIME TOTAL TIME

ID

DEPT CODE

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DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
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(305) 545-2400

CASE INFORMATION

DATE 12-19-88
mo. day yr.

2:00 PM
time

88-2657
M.E. Case #

TELEPHONE MESSAGE

No 002679

DATE CALL RECEIVED

12-19-88

TIME

11:10

WHO CALLED

Eleanor Chapman

FROM

V.A. Medical Center

CITY, STATE

PHONE

324-3117

AREA CODE

☒ RETURN CALL, DATE, TIME

☐ WILL CALL AGAIN, DATE, TIME

CALL TAKEN BY

Zim

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
NUMBER ONE ON BOB HOPE RD.
MIAMI, FLORIDA-33136

MESSAGE
FOR

HOG

MESSAGE

RE: 88-2657

Fred Knecht

DAY-TIMERS RE-ORDER No. 3214 — Printed in USA

- She wanted to know if case was done -
I said pending Tox.

HOG

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
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(305) 545-2400

CASE INFORMATION

DATE 12-20-88
mo. day yr.

Johnson, Linda
time

88-2637
M.E. Case #

TELEPHONE MESSAGE

NO 002171

DATE CALL RECEIVED TIME

12-20-88 1:15 pm

WHO CALLED

Det. Romo

FIRM

MDPD

CITY, STATE

PHONE

547-7456

AREA CODE

☒ RETURN CALL, DATE, TIME

☐ WILL CALL AGAIN, DATE, TIME

CALL TAKEN BY

[Signature]

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
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MIAMI, FLORIDA 33136

MESSAGE
FOR

CVW

88-2637

Linda Johnson

DAY-TIMERS RE-ORDER No. 3214 — Printed in USA

12/21/88 Cover in @ 3 PM
8:43 AM

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT

CLASSIFICATION OF PENDING CASE

(THIS FORM IS TO BE USED BY A MEDICAL EXAMINER WHEN A PENDING CASE IS TO BE CLASSIFIED. MAKE CERTAIN THAT THERE IS AN APPROVAL BY EITHER THE CHIEF OR DEPUTY CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER BEFORE COMPLETING THE NECESSARY FORMS AND CERTIFICATES REQUIRED BY THE STATE.)

M.E. Case # 88-2637

Name (if known) Johnson, Linda D.

Cause of Death:
(Item 24)

Homicide by unspecified means

Due to:

Due to:

Contributory Cause:

Manner of Death: Homicide August 1988 Time unknown
(Item 27a)

How Incident Occurred:
(Item 27d)

Found abandoned, decomposed, apparently neglected.

Rationale for Classification:

1. Abandoned female
2. nudity
3. sexual communication
4. Fitz epidermological pattern
5. Two deranged (semiskilled) - for toxicology
5. Fitz epidermological pattern of 19 cases studied

Medical Examiner

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Date

Approved by J. H. [Signature]

6/18/89
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CASE REVIEW
J. H. DAVIS, M.D.

NAME: Johnson, Linda

ME No.: 88-2637

CVW

Age/Race: 32/B

Police: MDPD

Date Found: 9/7/88

Police No.: 458817 - I m. Permitt

Coordinates: NW 17 Ave 102 St.

Site Character: Field. Australian Pines - Behind Central H.S.

Position: Supine - Legs spread

Clothing/Cover: Nude - Total Clothing nearby (Pants inside out)

Preservation Status: Advanced Decomposition - Mummified - skeleton

Photos Eyes: N/A

" Lips: Yes N/A

" Ext. Neck: N/A

" Int. Neck: N/A

Cocaine Blood: N/A

" Other:

Alcohol: N/A

Other Drug: NA

EVIDENCE FOR
HOMICIDE

ACCIDENT

Abandonment

Nude ♀

Sex

Initial Scene Impression: Rape Homicide

Large Kit Stolen

Already Classified as Homicide

- 1 88-3093 Black, B.
- 2 89-243 Spivey, A
- 3 89-906 Williams, A
- 4 89-997 Hernandez, B

Well preserved - not decomposed bodies

- 1 87-2006 Samuels, W
- 2 87-2017 Taylor, M
- 3 87-2633 Rozier, E
- 4 88-1055 Gray, S
- 5 88-3075 Edwards, E
- 6 88-3119 Lattimore, B
- 7 88-3575 Burns, A
- 8 89-323 Stewart, L
- 9 89-981 Gooden, P

Decomposed or insect altered bodies - including skeletons

- 1 86-2512 Turner, T
- 2 88-2596 Henderson, J
- 3 88-2637 Johnson, L
- 4 88-3118 Rolle, R
- 5 89-346 Harris, V
- 6 89-883 Bodie, C

Name.JOHNSON, Linda Darnell.....Case No. 88-2637

SCENE INVESTIGATION

DATE: 9/8/88
LOCATION: N.W.17 Ave. & 102 St., in a field
TIME ARRIVED AT SCENE: Approx. 2:30 p.m.
POLICE AGENCY: MDPD
LEAD INVESTIGATOR: Det. McDermott

INITIAL INFORMATION:

The scene is located behind Central High School in a field utilized by the Agricultural Vocational School. Apparently, an individual was taking a short cut through the field and discovered the remains of a woman.

OBSERVATIONS OF SURROUNDINGS:

The area where the body is found is breezy and shaded by large pine trees. She is lying supine on a bed of pine needles. By her left arm and head is a portion of a plastic trash bag. Shoes are also nearby. At the head is plain pink tanktop with blue letters spelling, "Body Shop". Above her head are pink pants that are inside out. A match book and bobby pin are found inside the pockets of the pant. No other clothing is found anywhere at the scene. Nearby is a tree with a portion of a shirt which has been tied to it and also the knot contains a portion of a trash bag similar to the one found near the body. Just below this are electric cords also hanging from the portion of the tree and these are consistent with ligatures. Nearby is a clearing with a chair and several tires and some of the tires have apparently been moved. Cleaning material for tires are also evident in the area and these all appear fresh.

OBSERVATIONS OF VICTIM (S):

The individual is lying supine and is completely mummified and nearly skeletonized. The teeth are prominent and what appears to be a central incisor tooth is missing but this appears to be premortem and not postmortem. Skin slippage of the hands and feet is evident and the specimens are turned over the the police department for subsequent delivery to the identification section. No injuries to the body are found. A few insect larvae are near the body and on it.

SCENE IMPRESSION (INCLUDING PROBABLE CAUSE AND MANNER OF DEATH):

Probable rape-homicide, approximately 3 months postmortem interval

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT, Miami, Florida

Name.JOHNSON, Linda Darnell.....Case No. 88-2637

NOTE: On September 9, 1988, Detectives McDermott and Romanti indicated she had been identified via the prints. She had an extensive record for prostitution but this apparently stopped in August of 1987. She was last seen alive on the 1st of May, 1988. She is a known drug abuser, particularly with crack cocaine.

NOTE: The foregoing is of a speculative nature and subject to modification pending additional information and investigation.



CHARLES V. WETLI, M.D.
Deputy Chief Medical Examiner

CVW:mu

DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT

CLASSIFICATION OF PENDING CASE

(THIS FORM IS TO BE USED BY A MEDICAL EXAMINER WHEN A PENDING CASE IS TO BE CLASSIFIED. MAKE CERTAIN THAT THERE IS AN APPROVAL BY EITHER THE CHIEF OR DEPUTY CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER BEFORE COMPLETING THE NECESSARY FORMS AND CERTIFICATES REQUIRED BY THE STATE.)

M.E. Case # 88-2637 Name (if known) LINDA JOHNSON

Cause of Death:
(Item 24)

Due to:

PERMANENTLY UNCLASSIFIED

Due to:

Contributory Cause:

Manner of Death:
(Item 27a)

UNKNOWN.

How Incident Occurred:
(Item 27d)

Rationale for Classification:

Young N & strangled, in field, evidence of sexual activity, known prostitute + crash mer.

This is either a homicide (strangulation) or coke OD.

- Case is listed in series of Black female deaths associated to sexual activity.

Keep as permanently unclassified until police investigation reveals information.

[Signature]
Medical Examiner

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Date

Approved by _____

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Date

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NUMBER ONE ON BOB HOPE ROAD, MIAMI, FL 33136-1133
(305) 545-2400

DATE 09/08/88
mo. day yr.

CASE INFORMATION

MIAMI HERALD
time

88-2637
M.E. Case #

**Woman's body found
at Central High**

Someone taking a shortcut through Central High's physical education field found the nude body of woman Wednesday afternoon, Metro-Dade police said.

Linda Johnson, 32, address unknown, had been lying under Australian pines on the north end of the field for about two months, said homicide Sgt. John Methvin.

The cause of death will not be determined until an autopsy is completed, but police suspect foul play.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1989

THE MIAMI HERALD

SECTION B

Dead women had links to rapist

By DONNA GEHRKE
Herald Staff Writer

Where Charles Henry Williams went, women died.

Four were killed near his family home in Overtown. A fifth was a neighbor. Four more died in a North Dade prostitution zone where the tall baby-faced 32-year-old used to wander. Two others were found just outside the area. And two were murdered in a Brownsville neighborhood where he used to smoke crack.

Williams tells police it's coincidence.

Homicide detectives think it's a pattern.

Police say the convicted rapist is a suspect in these 13 slayings and five others, which date back more than two years. They called a press conference 2½ months ago to announce their suspicion. But they haven't yet charged



Convicted rapist Charles Henry Williams, left, says connections to the dead women are a coincidence. Police see a pattern, but they haven't charged Williams with murder.

Williams with murder.

The killings stopped once Williams was jailed last April on two unrelated rape charges.

"He's the best thing we've got," said Metro homicide Sgt. Frank Wesolowski, who

heads his department's investigation into 11 of the deaths. "He is the No. 1 suspect."

In recent weeks, The Herald has found more links to Williams and the deaths. Court records and interviews with police, witnesses and victims' families show:

■ At least three victims were seen with Williams on the day they died.

■ Two women who pressed the current rape charges against Williams say he tried to choke them to death in Brownsville — the same neighborhood where two victims died, within the same few weeks.

■ Another woman filed attempted-murder charges against Williams for a choking attack just hours after she had introduced him to one of her friends — who later was found murdered.

■ Williams frequented the same places — a crack den, a prostitution zone — that several of the victims did.

Williams is scheduled to go to trial next week on the two rape charges. The trial might

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3 victims were seen with rapist the day they died

WILLIAMS, FROM 1B

be postponed to give Williams' new court-appointed attorney, Howard Landau, a chance to prepare a defense.

Landau, who helped win an acquittal for Williams in a 1986 rape trial, won't comment on the case or the homicide investigation. Nor will he allow his client to speak to The Herald.

In statements to police, Williams has denied killing the women.

Born in Georgia, he grew up in a neatly kept Overtown townhouse with his mother, brother and sisters.

By 1986, he had been accused of seven rapes — including assaults on two 15-year-old schoolgirls — and was profiled in The Herald as a career criminal who knew how to plea bargain and beat the system.

His accusers describe the same modus operandi: He starts with sweet talk and suddenly turns vicious as he chokes his victims unconscious.

Two years ago when Williams was out of jail, young women started dying mysteriously in his Overtown neighborhood. They were found almost nude, their legs spread and no visible trauma.

Miami cops were puzzled. Initial autopsies turned up a new theory — later debunked by Medical Examiner Joe Davis — that the women died because they combined sex and co-



VICTIM: Brenda Hernandez was seen with Williams the day she was strangled.

caine once too often.

They were well-known in the Overtown neighborhood as heavy crack-users.

So was Williams.

"He'd say, 'I've got money. Let's get drugs,'" remembered neighbor Audrey Salles.

One of Williams' teen-age neighbors took him up on the offer in April 1988 — and was found dead hours later, said the victim's best friend, Aida Rodriguez, 17.

She said Williams offered her and 16-year-old Sharmanita Grays "some weed" when they went to the Bay Point Motel, 3530 Biscayne Blvd. Later, Rodriguez left her friend with a heavily perspiring, crack-using Williams who wouldn't let her back into the room.

That's the last time Rodriguez saw Grays alive. Her body was found hours later, sprawled, legs apart and nearly nude, on a stairwell at the motel.

Rodriguez told Miami homicide investigators her suspicions: Miami police have since refused to discuss the case.

Since then, two other victims were seen with Williams on their last day.

In October 1988, Williams sought sex from prostitute Erica Edwards on the night she died near the hooker zone on Northwest 79th Street, said witness Beverly Gunder James.

She said Williams, identifying himself as "Tony," approached her on Oct. 22, 1988, at the Tropicana Bar, 1057 NW 79th St.

"He came out of the bushes," James said in a telephone interview.

"He asked me where I was going, and I said to the bar. He asked if I 'dated' [slang for hooking], and I said no. He asked if I smoked cocaine and I said no. He asked me if I knew anyone who did.

"I said yes — Erica."

She said she then introduced him

to Edwards.

"I said, 'Erica, this is Tony. He seems like a nice guy. Be nice to him.'"

The next morning, Edwards' body was discovered in a nearby field. She had been dead for hours.

That same day, James told police, Williams grabbed her from behind and choked her. "He picked me off the ground and put a hook on me and I couldn't spring loose," she said.

"The man was on top of me," she added. "I was on my stomach."

A neighbor saw the attack and scared him off, she said.

Five days later — and after three more women had been found dead in the area — James spotted Williams at a friend's house near the hooker zone.

Metro police arrested him there on attempted second-degree murder charges.

He was released in early December after prosecutors dropped the case. They couldn't find James. She moved to Oklahoma soon after the assault.

Five months later, Williams was seen with victim Brenda Hernandez on the day she was strangled in an open field in Brownsville, police told her mother, Mercedes Hernandez.

The victim had lived just a few blocks from a crack den near J & J Groceries at 2656 NW 46th St. where Williams hung out.

Two other victims, Barbara Ann

Black and Barbara Lattimore, hung out at the same crack den, several witnesses said. "He liked the girls," remembered store owner John Bennett.

Williams was arrested at the crack den when he tried to run from detectives investigating Hernandez's murder.

While canvassing the neighborhood for witnesses, detectives ran into a woman who said Williams had raped her in the same neighborhood two weeks earlier.

She said she was initially fooled by his appearance. "A clean-cut guy," she noted.

She agreed to Williams' offer: \$10, two cocaine rocks and half a pound of marijuana for sex. The next thing she knew, he was choking her and forcing her to have sex.

"The man chokes you like he intends to kill you. It's not a choke where he's playing with you at all. He wants to kill you," she said in a

sworn statement.

"The look on the guy's face — it totally changed from that nice personality, nice gentleman, hard-working gentleman to a damn maniac," she testified.

Metro detectives charged Williams with rape.

Within a week, Miami police followed with another rape charge. A woman from Brownsville accused Williams of choking and raping her in March.

Since early April, Williams has been in jail, lately in solitary.

"He's there for his own protection based on his notoriety," said Dade Jail Lt. Jim Wood.

Williams passes his days watching TV or talking to another prisoner — Charlie Street, accused killer of two Metro officers.

Williams has impressed Lt. Wood with his politeness and quiet demeanor. "He seems calm and complacent."

Nov. 6, 1989

Miami Herald

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Suspect is linked to 19th slaying

By DONNA GEHRKE
Herald Staff Writer
Charles Henry Williams, already
the prime suspect in the slayings of
18 inner-city women, has been
linked to the murder of another: a



20-year-old
who, like three
other victims,
was seen with
him on her last
day alive.

Sandra Jackson, only four
foot eight and 84
pounds, was
alone with six
foot three Williams,
a convicted

rapist known
Williams for choking this
victims on March 23 after the two
had visited with Jackson's cousin.

Her body was found the next day in a
wooded vacant lot at Northwest
13th Place and 38th Street.

Williams was one of the last indi-
viduals seen with her alive, said

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Convicted rapist linked to 19th slaying

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Tony Rodriguez, Miami homicide detective.

Like many of the 18 other victims, Jackson was found nude and asphyxiated in Northwest Dade, lying on her back with her legs spread.

Homicide detectives believe Williams, a baby-faced former maintenance worker, may be responsible for the 19 slayings — and perhaps more — because the methods of murder are strikingly similar.

"We've never had this many that seemed to fall into a pattern," said Dr. Joseph Davis, Dade's medical examiner.

Williams, 33, has been in the Dade County Jail for the past six months, but has not been charged in any of the murders. He was charged with two counts of rape unrelated to the slayings. Metro and Miami homicide detectives say they don't have enough proof — even though he first murder came under investigation more than a year ago.

Williams has admitted to police that he knew some of the victims, but he has steadfastly denied killing anyone.

The slayings stopped once Williams was jailed in early April on the rape charges.

The first of the 19 victims — 18 of them black and one Hispanic — was found dead in July 1987.

Jackson was victim No. 15. The bodies of four other women were found before Williams was arrested in early April. Miami police did not disclose Jackson's connection to Williams and the other homicide victims until detectives recently gave depositions in court.

Jackson, a former cook in a sandwich shop, went by the name Sonia because she hated her given name. "She was my sweet baby," said her boyfriend Kirk Stevens, the father of her 2-year-old son, also named Kirk.

Like many of the other 18 victims, Jackson was a drug addict "doing tricks for crack," her family told investigators.

Just before her murder, she was desperately trying to break her

crack habit, said Vincent Lawrence, a distant relative who unsuccessfully tried to find a rehabilitation program for her. "I couldn't find anything free for her," he said.

On March 24, a man working in his yard found Jackson's strangled body next door in an overgrown lot in the Brownsville neighborhood. A brown coat covered her nude body. Her shoes were found nearby.

In the next 11 days, four more bodies of women were found. Two of them had been badly beaten and strangled, as Jackson was.

On March 26, the body of Angela Williams, 23, was found in an open field at Northwest 21st Avenue and 68th Street. The killer had beaten her face, breaking her jaw and teeth.

A week later, in another vacant lot at Northwest 23rd Avenue and 46th Street, children found the body of Brenda Hernandez, 24, whose chest and neck were battered like Jackson's.

Williams was picked up near the Hernandez murder site by homicide detectives a day after the body was found.

As in Jackson's case, witnesses saw Williams with Hernandez on the last day of her life.

Jailers later found scratches on Williams' back and fresh bite marks on his penis.

Metro homicide detective Joseph McMahon said Williams readily talked to homicide detectives.

Investigators said Williams told them he had been with some of the victims — but they were alive when he left them.

He said people in the neighborhood who say he is the murderer are picking on him. They didn't like him, Williams complained.

From canvassing Brownsville after the murders, police found at least two women who said they had survived attacks by Williams. The investigators and the alleged victims described the attacks in recent depositions.

One, an admitted prostitute, told McMahon that she had been raped and choked to unconsciousness March by a man known on the streets as "Bumper" or "Bump."

McMahon showed her a Polaroid of Williams.

That's him, she said.

She said she hadn't gone to police sooner because she didn't think officers "give a damn about street hookers or prostitutes," McMahon said in a deposition.

The second victim said she was raped by Williams in the Brownsville neighborhood on March 18, six days before Jackson's body was found.

"She said at first he had grabbed her in a choke hold, putting his arm around her neck," Miami homicide detective Frank Castillo said in a deposition. "She said that he had her under control. She couldn't get away from him. The harder she would try to push away, the tighter the choke would get around her neck."

The two women pressed rape charges against Williams. He is scheduled to go to trial Nov. 13. But the trial is likely to be postponed for a third time. Prosecutor Dennis Siegel is planning to be out of the state that week to attend a seminar.

Meanwhile, police remain close-mouthed about the homicide investigation.

Williams' defense attorney, Howard Landau, believes homicide in-

vestigators are now conducting genetic DNA tests to see if they can trace back to Williams any body fluids found on the victims. The tests are usually done to connect rapists to their victims, usually through semen.

Despite Landau's objections, the Dade state attorney's office recently obtained a court order to take blood and saliva samples from Williams.

Miami homicide detective Rodriguez wouldn't talk about the genetic tests. "We're following up every avenue that's available to us that can assist us in these investigations," he said.

Rodriguez and John Farrell, Metro chief of detectives, said officers have pursued dozens of leads without the breakthrough they were counting on.

"Unfortunately, we haven't been able to put together anything of significance," Rodriguez said. "It's just a shame. It's a tragedy. I really feel that somebody out there saw or heard something that could help us solve at least one of these cases."

"Serial killers don't stop killing," he said. "They either get arrested, they die or they move somewhere and continue."

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH FLORIDA

88-2637

LOCAL FILE NO.

DECEDENT—NAME		FIRST	MIDDLE	LAST	SEX	DATE OF DEATH (Mo. Day. Yr.)	
1. LINDA D. JOHNSON					2.	3. Found: Sept. 8, 1988	
RACE—e.g. White, Black, Am. Indian etc. (Specify)	AGE—Last Birthday (Yrs.)	UNDER 1 YEAR	UNDER 1 DAY	DATE OF BIRTH (Mo. Day. Yr.)		COUNTY OF DEATH	
4. BLACK	5a. 32	5b. MOS	5c. DAYS	5d. HOURS	5e. MINS	6. MAY 2, 1956	7a. DADE
CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION OF DEATH			HOSPITAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION Name (If not in either, give street and number)			IF HOSP OR INST (Indicate DOA OP/Emer. Rm. Inpatient (Specify))	
7b. MIAMI			7c. School Yard: N W 102nd Street & 17th Avenue			7d.	
STATE OF BIRTH (If not in U.S.A. name country)	CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY	MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (Specify)		SURVIVING SPOUSE (If wife, give maiden name)			
8. FLORIDA	9. U.S.A.	10. NEVER MARRIED		11. NONE			
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired.)			KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY		WAS DECEDENT EVER IN U.S. ARMED SERVICES (Specify Yes or No)	
12. 261-33-0976	13a. CLERK			13b. DEPT. STORE		13c. YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
RESIDENCE—STATE	COUNTY	CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION		STREET AND NUMBER		INSIDE CITY LIMITS (Specify Yes or No)	
14a. FLORIDA	14b. DADE	14c. OPA-LOCKA		14d. 2100 NW 179th ST.		14e. YES	
FATHER—NAME		FIRST	MIDDLE	LAST	MOTHER—NAME		FIRST MIDDLE MAIDEN
15. WESLEY				JOHNSON SR.	16. FRANKIE LEAN EDWARDS		
INFORMANT—NAME (Type or Print)		MAILING ADDRESS STREET OR R.F.D. NO. CITY OR TOWN STATE ZIP					
17a. WESLEY JOHNSON JR.		17b. 2100 NW 179th ST. OPA-LOCKA, FL. 33056					
BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL, OTHER (Specify)		CEMETERY OR CREMATORY—NAME		LOCATION		CITY OR TOWN STATE	
18a. CREMATION		18b. SO. FLA. CREMATORY		18c. MIAMI, FLORIDA			
FUNERAL DIRECTOR—Signature		FUNERAL HOME ADDRESS					
19a. <i>Milton A. Hoyle</i>		19b. 1900 NW 54th ST. MIAMI, FLORIDA 33142					
20a. To the best of my knowledge, death occurred at the time, date and place and due to the cause(s) stated.				21a. On the basis of examination and/or investigation, in my opinion death occurred at the time, date and place and due to the cause(s) stated.			
(Signature and Title)→				(Signature and Title)→			
DATE SIGNED (Mo., Day, Yr.)		HOUR OF DEATH		DATE SIGNED (Mo., Day, Yr.)		HOUR OF DEATH	
20b.		20c. M		21b. April 20, 1989		21c. Unknown M	
NAME OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN IF OTHER THAN CERTIFIER (Type or Print)				21d. Pronounced Dead (Mo., Day, Yr.)			
20d.				21d. ON Sept. 7, 1988			
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CERTIFIER (PHYSICIAN, MEDICAL EXAMINER) (Type or Print)				21e. at 2:15 P. M			
22. Medical Examiner Department Number One on Bob Hope Rd., Miami, Fla. 33136				Charles V. Wetli, M. D.			
REGISTRAR						DATE RECEIVED BY REGISTRAR (Mo., Day, Yr.)	
23a. (Signature)→ <i>Dony E. Ferguson</i> April 29, 1989						23b.	
24. IMMEDIATE CAUSE [ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (a), (b), AND (c).]							
PART I (a) Permanently Unclassified							
DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF (Condition(s) which gave rise to cause (a) — List underlying cause last)							
(b) DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF							
(c) Part OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS—Conditions contributing to death but not related to cause given in PART I (a)							
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				25. Yes		26. YES	
IF SURGERY IS MENTIONED IN PART I or II ENTER CONDITION FOR WHICH IT WAS PERFORMED						DATE OF SURGERY (Mo., Day, Yr.)	
27a. (Probably) ACCIDENT, SUICIDE or HOMICIDE or UNDETERMINED (Specify)						27b.	
28a. Permanently Unclassified		DATE OF INJURY (Mo., Day, Yr.)		HOUR OF INJURY		DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED	
28b. Unknown		28c. Unknown		28d. Unknown			
INJURY AT WORK (Specify Yes or No)		PLACE OF INJURY—At home, farm, street, factory, office building, etc. (Specify)		LOCATION		STREET OR R.F.D. NO. CITY OR TOWN STATE	
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THE DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT, Miami, Florida

Name..JOHNSON, LINDA DARNELL.9:30 a.m..9/8/88....Case No. 88-2637

CAUSE OF DEATH:

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CHARLES V. WETLI, M.D.
Deputy Chief Medical Examiner

Date: _____

CVW:mu

METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY
MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT
Number One on Bob Hope Road, Miami, Florida 33136

TOXICOLOGY REPORT

UNKNOWN

M.E. CASE NO. 88-2637

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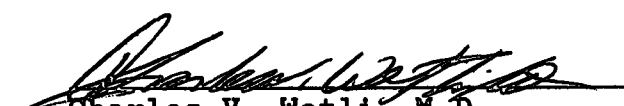
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COCAINE

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UNDETECTED


Charles V. Wetli, M.D.
Deputy Chief Medical Examiner

Date 5-2-89



THE DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT, Miami, Florida

Name..JOHNSON, LINDA DARNELL.9:30 a.m..9/8/88....Case No. 88-2637

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body is that of a 5 foot 7-1/2 inch, Negro female, totalling 36 pounds. The body is extensively mummified. No injuries or distinguishing features are evident. Dentition is full and a space is evident anteriorly on the upper jaw. This is not associated with a tooth socket. Skin is tough and leathery. No distinguishing marks or features are found anywhere on the body.

Radiologic examination fails to disclose any foreign objects. No distinguishing fractures or skeletal features are found radiographically.


INTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The internal viscera are entirely absent. The only remnants present being portions of the lungs which appear as shrunken masses of tough, leathery, black tissue. The muscle tissue is likewise virtually gone. No fractures or other injuries are found. The brain is totally absent and the skull and calvarium are free of any fractures.

Examination of the leathery stringy structures remaining in the neck reveals portions of the hyoid bone and thyroid cartilage but these do not appear fractured or abnormal in any way.

AUTOPSY FINDINGS:

- 1) Extensive mummification


CHARLES V. WETLI, M.D.
Deputy Chief Medical Examiner

CVW:mu

CASE REVIEW
J. H. DAVIS, M.D.

NAME Johnson, Linda M.E. No. 88-2637
AGE/RACE 32 B/F POLICE MDD
DATE FOUND 9/7/88 POLICE NUMBER 458863-3
COORDINATES NW 17 Av 102 St. DETECTIVE M. Darnett

SITE CHARACTER Field

POSITION Stone 10 ft 5 ft 10 ft

INITIAL CLASSIFICATION

CLOTHING/COVER 1/2

SUBSEQUENT CLASSIFICATION

PRESERVATION STATUS 1/2

PHOTOS: Eyes

Lips

Ext. Neck

Int. Neck

BITE MARKS (IF Applicable)

OTHER PERTINENT MARKS

INJURY of Above NOT PHOTOGRAPHED:

COCAINE - BLOOD

- Other Lung 5

Alcohol

Other Drug

Rape kit Status

EVIDENCE FOR

HOMICIDE

NON-HOMICIDE

Abundant

Trace

See

Reference to evidence

Medical Examiner's Office

9/7/88

MED
M

FROM

William S. Miller
FINGERPRINT TECH. II
METRO-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT

ME# 88-2637

The fingerprints obtained from the deceased ME# 88- 2637 have been
identified with fingerprints of NAME Linda Darnell Johnson,
RACE Negro, SEX Female, DOB: 5/2/56, MDPD ID # 342773,
on file with the METRO-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT, Case Number 458867 I.

MEDICAL EXAMINERS REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

RECEIVED BY William Miller DATE 9/7/88 TIME 5:30 PM
ASSIGNED TO William Miller DATE 9/7/88 TIME 5:30 PM
ME# 88-2637 MDPD CASE# 458867 I

DECEASED NAME Johnson, Linda Darnell
(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

DOB 5/2/56 SEX Female RACE Negro

SS# 261-33-0976 TYPE CASE Homicide Inv.

☐ BODY PRINTED AT ME OFFICE DATE _____ TIME _____

☐ PRINTS PICKED UP FROM ME OFFICE DATE _____ TIME _____

☒ FINGERPRINTS BROUGHT TO ID DATE 9/7/88 TIME 5:30 PM

☒ IDENTIFIED WITH MDPD RECORD ☒ CRIMINAL ☐ APPLICANT ☐ TRAFFIC
MDPD# 342773 FPC 2 I 1 U III 13
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☐ SEARCHED NEGATIVE MDPD FILE DATE _____ TIME _____

☐ IDENTIFIED WITH MUNICIPAL RECORD AGENCY _____ CONTROL# _____

☐ SEARCHED NEGATIVE MUNICIPAL RECORDS ☐ MIAMI ☐ MIAMI BEACH
DATE _____ TIME _____ ☐ HIALEAH ☐

☒ DETECTIVE NOTIFIED, NAME Mc Dermott DATE 9/7/88 TIME 6:30 PM

☐ ME OFFICE NOTIFIED, NAME _____ DATE _____ TIME _____

☐ FINGERPRINTS SENT TO FDLE VIA POLICE FAX DATE _____ TIME _____

☐ FINGERPRINTS MAILED TO FDLE DATE _____ TIME _____

☐ FINGERPRINTS SENT TO FBI VIA POLICE FAX DATE _____ TIME _____

☐ FINGERPRINTS SENT TO BROWARD VIA POLICE FAX DATE _____ TIME _____

☐ WARRANTS CHECK DATE _____ TIME _____

☒ IDENTIFICATION MEMO PREPARED

COMMENTS: The outer skin layers were submitted for processing.

IN _____ WJH

**METRO-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

PROPERTY RECEIPT

METRO-DADE POLICE CASE NO.

458867-I

INVENTORY NO.

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DATE-TIME IMPOUNDED

PROPERTY BUREAU LOCATOR CODE

9-7-88 330PM

OTHER DEPT. CASE NO.

OTHER DEPT. PROPERTY LOCATION AND INVENTORY NO.

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ADDRESS WHERE PROPERTY IMPOUNDED (Give exact location where property was located.)

TYPE OF CASE

NW 102 ST & 17 AVE CENT. H.S. FIELD

HOMICIDE

DISCOVERED BY (Name)

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

TELEPHONE NO.

DR. WETLI

☐ OWNER

☐ VICTIM

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

TELEPHONE NO.

☐ SUBJECT

☐ SUSPECT

RACE

SEX

DOB

INCARCERATED

WARRANT

UNK

☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ YES ☐ NO

☐ STOLEN PROPERTY

☐ TRIAL EVIDENCE

☐ HOMICIDE PROBATE

☐ SECURITY STORAGE

☐ LOST/FOUND PROPERTY

☐ LAB EVIDENCE

☐ OTHER AGENCY

☐ OTHER (SPECIFY) _____

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION (Itemize currency by denomination)	Currency Only Total Face Value \$	PROPERTY BUREAU ONLY
1	1	BROWN BAG w/ SKIN OF RIGHT HAND OF VICTIM		
2	1	" " " " LEFT " "		
LAST ITEM				

I hereby acknowledge that the above list represents all property taken from my possession and that I have received a copy of this receipt.

I hereby acknowledge that the above list represents all property impounded by me in the official performance of duty as a Deputy Sheriff/Law Enforcement Officer

(Print and Sign)

THE PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE BUREAU MAY BE CONTACTED AT AREA CODE 305-547-7291

Lead Investigator/Unit

Impounding Officer

District or Section

(Print and Sign)

(Print and Sign)

Badge Number

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RECEIVED BY William Miller	PRINT NAME William Miller	SIGNATURE AND BADGE NO. 1027	REASON Exam	DATE AND TIME RECEIVED 7-5-88 530 PM
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